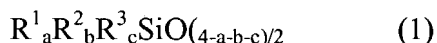


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An addition curing type silicone composition comprising:

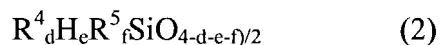
(A) 100 parts by weight of an organopolysiloxane represented by an average composition formula (1)[[']]:



wherein, R^1 represents a phenyl group, R^2 represents an alkenyl group of 2 to 10 carbon atoms, R^3 represents a monovalent group selected from the group consisting of monovalent hydrocarbon groups except a phenyl group and alkenyl groups, a hydroxyl group and alkoxy groups, and a, b and c are positive numbers which satisfy requirements $0.5 \leq a \leq 1.0$, $0.2 \leq b \leq 0.5$, $0.2 \leq c \leq 0.8$ and $1.0 < a+b+c < 2.0$,

which incorporates a phenyl group and at least two alkenyl groups within a single molecule, and in which a combined proportion of Si atoms within $\equiv Si-R^2$ groups and $RSiO_{3/2}$ units wherein, R represents either one of R^1 and R^3 as defined above relative to total Si atoms is at least 70 mol%;

(B) 1 to 100 parts by weight to an organohydrogenpolysiloxane represented by an average composition formula (2):



wherein, R^4 represents a phenyl group, R^5 represents a monovalent group selected from the group consisting of monovalent hydrocarbon groups except a phenyl group, a hydroxyl group and alkoxy groups, and d, e and f are positive numbers which satisfy requirements $0.4 \leq d \leq 1.0$, $0.5 \leq e \leq 0.8$, $0.7 \leq f \leq 1.2$ and $1.8 < d+e+f < 3.0$,

which incorporates a phenyl group and at least two SiH groups within a single molecule; and

(C) an effective quantity of a hydrosilylation reaction catalyst,
said composition, on curing, having a flexural strength measured in accordance with JIS K6911 of at least 29.4 MPa.

Claim 2 (Original): An addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1, wherein a refractive index of both said organopolysiloxane represented by said average composition formula (1) and said organohydrogenpolysiloxane represented by said average composition formula (2) is from 1.47 to 1.57.

Claim 3 (Original): An addition curing type silicon resin composition according to claim 1, wherein a difference between a refractive index of said organopolysiloxane represented by said average composition formula (1) and a refractive index of said organohydrogenpolysiloxane represented by said average composition formula (2) is no more than 0.08.

Claim 4 (Original): An addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1, wherein in said average composition formula (1), R^2 is a vinyl group, R^3 is any one of a methyl group, an ethyl group and a propyl group, said numbers a, b and c are positive numbers which satisfy requirements $0.55 \leq a \leq 0.95$, $0.25 \leq b \leq 0.45$ and $0.25 \leq c \leq 0.7$ respectively, and moreover a sum of said numbers satisfies a requirement $1.3 < a+b+c < 1.7$.

Claim 5 (Original): An addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1, wherein in said average composition formula (2), R^5 is any one of a methyl group, an ethyl group and a propyl group, said numbers d, e and f are positive numbers which satisfy

requirements $0.5 \leq d \leq 1.0$, $0.6 \leq e \leq 0.8$ and $0.8 \leq f \leq 1.1$ respectively, and moreover a sum of said numbers satisfies a requirement $2.0 < d+e+f < 2.5$.

Claim 6 (Original): An addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1, wherein an amount of said constituent (B) is from 5 to 50 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of said constituent (A), and an amount of said constituent (C), on a weight basis relative to said constituent (A), is from 1 to 500 pm.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A key pad comprising a cured product produced by heat curing an addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1.

Claim 8 (Original): A cured product produced by heat curing of an addition curing type silicone resin composition according to claim 1.

Claim 9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A cured product according to claim 1, wherein said composition, on curing, has a flexural strength measured in accordance with JIS K6911 of at least 34.3 MPa.

Claim 11 (Original): A cured product according to claim 8, with a hardness (Shore D) measured using a Barcol hardness tester in accordance with JIS K7060 of at least 60.

Claim 12 (Original): A cured product according to claim 8, with a transmittance of light of wavelength 589 nm of at least 85%.

Claims 13-24 (Canceled).

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

The claims have been restricted to those considered being allowable by the Examiner, Claim 10, objected to by the Examiner, having been amended in a manner so as to overcome the Examiner's objection thereto.

Also in Claim 1 a typographical error has been corrected and Claim 7 has been amended to make it clear that the keypad comprises a cured product.